109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 3792

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against tax for qualified elementary and secondary education tuition.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

August 3, 2006

Mr. Martinez introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Tax and Education
- 5 Assistance for Children (TEACH) Act of 2006".
- 6 SEC. 2. CREDIT FOR QUALIFIED ELEMENTARY AND SEC-
- 7 ONDARY EDUCATION TUITION.
- 8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subpart A of part IV of sub-
- 9 chapter A of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of
- 10 1986 (relating to nonrefundable personal credits) is

1	amended by inserting after section 25D the following new
2	section:
3	"SEC. 25E. QUALIFIED ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDU-
4	CATION TUITION.
5	"(a) Allowance of Credit.—There shall be al-
6	lowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter
7	for a taxable year an amount equal to the qualified ele-
8	mentary and secondary education tuition paid or incurred
9	by the taxpayer during the taxable year.
10	"(b) Dollar Limitation.—The amount allowed as
11	a credit under subsection (a) with respect to the taxpayer
12	for any taxable year shall not exceed—
13	"(1) \$4,500 in the case of a joint return,
14	"(2) \$4,500 in the case of an individual who is
15	not married, and
16	"(3) \$2,250 in the case of a married individual
17	filing a separate return.
18	"(c) Qualified Elementary and Secondary
19	EDUCATION TUITION.—
20	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The term 'qualified elemen-
21	tary and secondary education tuition' means ex-
22	penses for tuition which are incurred in connection
23	with the enrollment or attendance of any dependent
24	of the taxpayer with respect to whom the taxpayer
25	is allowed a deduction under section 151 as an ele-

- 1 mentary or secondary school student at a private or
- 2 religious school.
- 3 "(2) School.—The term 'school' means any
- 4 school which provides elementary education or sec-
- 5 ondary education (kindergarten through grade 12),
- 6 as determined under State law.".
- 7 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections
- 8 for subpart A of part IV of subchapter A of chapter 1
- 9 of such Code is amended by inserting after the item relat-
- 10 ing to section 25D the following new item:

"Sec. 25E. Qualified elementary and secondary education tuition.".

- 11 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 12 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
- 13 December 31, 2006.

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